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1. U.S. Patent No. 6,724,328 for "BYTE ALIGNMENT FOR SERIAL DATA RECEIVER," issued April 20, 2004 on Application No. 10/454,626, filed June 3, 2003. An assignment of the '626 application by the inventors to ALTERA CORPORATION was recorded on June 8, 2003 at Reel 14145, Frames 813-16.

2. Application No. 10/798,406, filed February 26, 2004 as a continuation of copending Application No. 10/454,626, filed June 3, 2003. The assignment of the

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1. He is an attorney of record in the above-identified patent application and is authorized to act on behalf of assignee corporation in connection with said application; and

2. The relevant evidentiary documents have been reviewed and, to the best of the undersigned's and assignee's knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified Application No. 10/789,406 is in assignee.

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